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It is a sad task to which President Wilson returns.

In newspaper parlance, it is alleged that Liege is captured.

Italy is shaken in its boot whether to fight Germany or Russia.

Kaiser Wilhelm seems to think he is in partnership with divinity in this war—partnership formed by himself.

New England's record of a dozen drownings last Sunday emphasizes the desirability of a motto something like "Learn to swim first" before going into the water—and everybody can learn to swim.

With three Republican candidates already in the field, it is time for the Progressives and Democrats to make a move in the Vermont gubernatorial campaign. Out with 'em! Let's see how they look.

The large registry list of visitors at the State House in Montpelier indicates the favor with which Vermont is looked upon as a state for touring by automobile. Names of New Englanders predominate in the list but there is a liberal sprinkling of names from states outside that geographical division. The people of Vermont ought to do everything reasonable to increase the incoming of those people, for aside from the advantage incident to their temporary stay there is the added possibility that some of them may be induced by the beauties they see all about them to remain in the state permanently. Vermont has place enough for thousands of them.

To the youngster it would be a pleasure, of course, if teacher couldn't get back from Europe when the school bell rings; but it would make a serious disarrangement in school systems if the many thousands of teachers could not secure transportation back to the ports of the United States by the first of September. At the present time the teachers are rushing to the British Isles from the continent of Europe with their vacations only half completed, expecting that the freedom of those islands from actual fighting will enable them to make their departure certain from those shores. In view of the nearness of the date for opening the schools, the steamship lines ought to give the preference of reservation on board ship to the school teachers so that they may be assured of getting back to the United States in time.

Although 3,000 miles away from the center of the war, the Atlantic coast of the United States seems destined to become the maneuvering ground for many of the war vessels of the warring nations. This situation is bound, therefore, to make the neutral position of the United States the more difficult to maintain, as the fleeing ships are sure to make for the ports of the Atlantic coast. Moreover, the use of wireless telegraphy from ships and shore stations might be developed into a violation of the neutrality of this nation; and hence it is the part of wisdom for the United States government to suspend the operation of the wireless apparatus on the ships of the nations engaged in warfare as well as on the shore stations, whose allegiance is in doubt, like those on Long Island and the New Jersey coast. While not actuated by fear, the United States is very desirous of keeping out of the complications.

**A STATE OF WORKERS.**  
 If anyone misguidedly declares that Vermonters are lazy, just point out to him that over 40 per cent of us are "earning our salt" or at least busily engaged trying to do so. The United States census department has arrived at such a deduction after looking us over quite thoroughly, and we think it quite a compliment, although it would seem better if the list of wage-earners did not include tender youth so new to life's stern realities as 10 years would indicate. Such youngsters, if engaged in factories and shops, ought to be barred from continuous occupation from this time forth. Possibly the list of such minors about the age of 10 and immediately over that age includes those who assist in the farm operations of their parents, which does not confine them to steady employment from one year's end to the other.

## BLESSING OF A GOOD NEIGHBOR—CANADA.

The feverish activity on the border between Germany and France presents to one's mind what a widely different condition obtains on the boundary line between the United States and the Dominion of Canada and, furthermore, how comparatively defenseless that border line is at the present time. Of course, a rupture of pleasant relations between the United States and Great Britain is an unthinkable contingency and for that reason it is not considered necessary to build forts and station large bodies of troops in intervals of a few miles. We have a few forts, so-called, strung along the northern border, but they are nothing more than barracks for small detachments of troops and would serve chiefly as mobilization points in



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case such an almost impossible thing as war between the two nations should break out. Likewise, too, the British possession to the north of us is unprotected against determined invasion from the United States albeit the Dominion has its troops in comparatively small numbers. Thus while Germany and France are constantly spending vast sums of money (now largely increased) in the protection of their common border line, the United States and the Dominion of Canada rest in security, each convinced that warlike demonstration by the other is not to be considered for a moment. This ability to dwell together in peace and unity annually saves each government a tremendous outlay of money and the freedom from apprehension leaves the people on either side of the border free to carry on their activities without possibility of confiscation in war. The United States is mighty thankful that it has such a good neighbor in Canada, and without doubt Canada has a like feeling in respect to the United States when it comes to contemplation of hostile possibilities. For the two countries ever to engage in warfare would be like a civil war in a single country.

## CURRENT COMMENT

## White House Deaths.

The last wife of a president to die in the White House was Mrs. Benjamin Harrison, who passed away a few weeks before the election of 1892. Her funeral was in the historic East room, from which, in the course of a century, so many persons have been carried. A number of presidents have been widowers during their term of office; others have had invalid wives. Mrs. Taft, although still a young woman, suffered a nervous breakdown shortly after her husband's inauguration and has not yet fully regained her health. Mrs. McKinley was a hopeless invalid, whose path in life was made much easier by the sedulous attention of her husband. His calmness under her inevitable vagaries brought out the essential sweetness of his character. She fell desperately ill in San Francisco on his famous Pacific coast trip, and her life for days was despaired of, but she was destined to the journey. But she was destined to survive her husband by some years. Mrs. Hayes lived many years after her retirement from the White House, but passed away before her husband, whose death in his later days was: "Lucy has been gone too long."—Boston Herald.

## A Cost Congress for the Monument Trade.

The convention of the National Retail Monument Dealers' Association of America, Inc., which is to convene at Milwaukee during the month of August, will probably be the most important meeting this body has ever held, as matters of several years' standing will be brought up for discussion and settlement. It is to be hoped that all interests will work in harmony, each having in mind that their own opinion, no matter how strongly prejudiced, should always be waived in favor of the majority.

Of all the important subjects which will come before the convention for their attention and discussion, none will be more worthy of consideration than the question of the adoption of a uniform accounting system and Granite, Marble & Bronze offers as a suggestion that a committee on cost accounting be appointed with a view to supplying the monumental trade a comprehensive method which will place every retail dealer, no matter whether he manufactures his own work or not, upon an equal basis. Competition to-day is due not so much to the fact that the retailers are anxious to cut under their competitor's price as it is to the fact that they are in ignorance of the producing cost. The printing trades which, a few years ago, were demoralized by price cutting, have established a system which is now in vogue in practically every up-to-date printing establishment with the result that, conditions being equal, uniform prices are now quoted, and the business which formerly allowed but starvation wages now shows a substantial profit. The national association should give this matter their careful thought and attention as the recommendation of the federate body is essential in a work of this magnitude. Papers or suggestions will avail but little unless followed up

by a comprehensive system which a man can purchase and apply to his business needs.—From "Granite, Marble & Bronze."

## Scientific Farming in Vermont.

Vermont is this year following the example of many of our other states in trying to help her farmers with scientific advice. This has been carried out with especial success in Bennington county. Here Mr. J. L. Sherman has shown what can be done in this way, and the results of his work show that Vermont has wonderful possibilities for the farmer.

This season he has 75 farmers raising crops as demonstrations of his methods, 25 of corn, 20 of oats, 20 of cover crops, and 10 of potatoes, and in every case the improvement is clearly shown. Mr. Sherman's work has been to show to the farmers what they should know about the use of fertilizers and the spraying and pruning of fruit trees in order to obtain the greatest profit. His tests of the soil have shown that nearly every farm needs lime in varying amounts, in some places as high as 4,000 pounds to the acre. To remedy this he has made a study of the rocks of the country, and finds several places where the lime can be secured with but little expense, and in this way give to the farmers the fertilizer they most need from a product which now is practically waste.

What is true in Bennington county is also true in Windham, and if such a movement can be started here in this valley our resources can be developed to an extent of which we little dreamed. Is it not a matter worthy of consideration?—Wilmington Times.

## Slav Against German.

Let no one imagine that this catchword, Slav against German, or the other form of it, Teuton against Slav, has originated in America since the war began in Europe. The phrase may be justly called a German official watchword. If credit is to be given where credit is due, it must be ascribed to the chancellor of the empire, Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg. With it he captured the ears of members of the Reichstag in April, 1914, while urging an additional military expenditure of over \$300,000,000 on preparations for this war. The bills which he then introduced provided for a scheme of army reorganization that raised the peace strength from 544,000 to 600,000, with a consequent increase of the war strength, and required the changes to be effected before the end of 1913.

There was extraordinary foresight or foreknowledge on the part of the German government. Though the chancellor disavowed precedence, he clearly indicated what was coming. No man could know, he said, whether and when they would have a war, but so far as human foresight could see, there would be no European war in which Germany would not be involved, and they would have to fight for their existence. The chancellor went on to say that the army increases were forced on Germany by the new situation in the Balkans: "The decisive point is that into the place of European Turkey, whose state life has become passive, active vitality. . . . One thing remains beyond doubt—if it should ever come to a European conflagration, which sets Slavdom against Germanism, it is thus for us a disadvantage that the position in the balance of forces which was occupied hitherto by European Turkey is now filled in part by Slav states."

So Germany made ready for the war of Slav against German. This phrase very obviously expresses only a half-truth, as Germany does not fight Slavs when she fights Britain, France and Belgium, nor when the Slavs in the Austro-Hungarian army fight on her side; but it is accurate enough as directed against Russia, and is conveniently extended to her allies. The use that was made of it in the Reichstag 16 months ago is extremely interesting in the light of the present situation. It shows how the German government foresaw and prepared, and was in a condition to strike when Austria declared war on Serbia.—Boston Herald.

## WEST BERLIN

Miss Beatrice Moody of Albany, N. Y., is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Moody. Miss Carrie Longland of Oakdale, Mass., called on friends in town on Wednesday.

Mrs. Susan Keyes, who has been visiting friends in Windsor, has returned home.

Miss Clara Davis is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Moore, in Waterbury. Mr. and Mrs. Willard Spaulding of Montpelier are visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph Rich.

F. L. Ayers of West Windsor is visiting Mrs. M. J. Ayers and will visit other relatives before his return.

Mrs. T. E. Lyons of Lynn, Mass., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Robinson, and she will also visit Mrs. A. H. Cole before her return home.

Miss Irene Chagnon of Springfield, Mass., was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cooper the past week.

Miss Alice Gove and Walter Johnston of Montpelier were the guests of Miss Gove's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Gove, on Sunday.

Melvin Cooper of Springfield, Mass., visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cooper, the past week.

Miss Leona Coffin of Northfield visited her aunt, Mrs. H. J. Yarrington, the past week.

Joe Rich was in Barre a few days the past week.

Mrs. J. Hall of Lowell, Mass., was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Norton last week and also visited other friends in town.

## SPORTING NOTES.

Mike Mowrey, the former star third sacker of the St. Louis Cardinals, who was secured by the Pittsburgh Pirates this past winter, has been benched by the season like a house on fire at the third station. His work has been so poor lately that Clarke has sent Leonard, a youngster from South Chicago, into his place. Baseball fans predict success for Kenneth Nash in the big leagues. He is a little fellow, not bigger than Miller Huggins of the Cards, but speed is his main forte. He covers lots of ground and steps into the ball like Johnny McGraw when the latter was a member of the Orioles.

Ralph Glaze, the old Dartmouth athlete, who is to coach athletic teams at the university of Southern California this season, is pitching for the St. Joseph team in the western league. He intends to leave the St. Joseph team in time to assume his duties in California.

## MORETOWN.

Frank Farnham Died at Waterbury on Sunday Evening.

Frank Farnham, aged 45 years, died Sunday, Aug. 9. One year ago last February he suffered a shock, from the effects of which he never fully recovered. Being taken suddenly insane last week Wednesday he was removed to the state hospital at Waterbury Thursday, where he gradually failed until death came Sunday evening about 9 o'clock. Mr. Farnham was born in Middlesex, son of the late Joseph and Saline Farnham. The greater part of his life was spent in Waterbury, moving to the town last spring, where he was respected by all who knew him. He is survived by his wife, also one brother of Toledo, O., and two sisters, Mrs. Alice Gridgird of Detroit, Mich., and Mrs. Ida Newell of Port Huron, Mich. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist church, Rev. A. A. Mandigo officiating.

Mrs. Arthur Henson of Groveton, N. H., arrived Monday for a visit with relatives and friends.

Rev. A. A. Mandigo, accompanied by five of the boy scouts, leave Wednesday morning for a week's stay in camp at the Riverside camp ground at Sheldon.

B. E. Wallace has finished his duties at the Ward store and returned to his home in Waterbury.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Flint and daughter, Ruth, returned Saturday from Jonesville.

Miss Annie Arms of Richford, who has been stopping at Rev. A. A. Mandigo's for the past 10 weeks, left Tuesday for South Burlington.

C. J. Hathaway and Miss Jennie Hathaway were in Montpelier Thursday. Mrs. V. V. Turner of Waterbury, Mrs. J. O. Haskins of Montpelier and Mrs. C. B. McAllister of Essex visited at M. R. Child's and B. F. Griffith's Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Ward of Burlington are guests at Mrs. H. O. Ward.

Miss Grace Eaton of Montpelier is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. P. Griffin.

## CAPOT

Howard Pike of St. Johnsbury was in town Saturday to see his father.

A daughter, Barbara Louise, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Houghton Tuesday, Aug. 4.

Alden Owen of Barton is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Owen.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wales went to Portland Friday for a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Sargent of Stowe were guests at Lyndon McAllister's over Sunday.

Miss Lorena Warren of Pawtucket, R. I., was in town Saturday calling on old friends.

Mason Hoyt went to New York Saturday.

Pearl Pike and children were business visitors in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Hale of Danville are visiting relatives in town.

Cecil Foster and family are having mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Owen of Boston are spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Owen.

The annual missionary tea was held last Thursday in the ladies' parlor of the Congregational church. There was a good attendance. After a social hour the officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, Mrs. Lella Blodgett; vice-president, Mrs. Sarena Hills; treasurer, Mrs. Kate Smith; secretary, Mrs. Elsie McPherson. Over twenty partook of supper from two tables well laden with toothsome viands of all kinds.

E. F. Farrington of Barre spent Sunday with his father, J. A. Farrington. James Stone and sister, Harriet, accompanied by Mrs. Ruby Stone, all of Ripon, Wis., and Miss Louise Sherman of Castleton and Laureston Stone of New York, were guests at J. L. Stone's and other relatives' in town Thursday of last week.

At the missionary tea last Thursday the officers for the Ladies' Sociable society were elected: President, Mrs. Emma Goodale; vice-president, Mrs. Abby Southwick; directresses—first, Mrs. Annie McAllister; second, Mrs. Eliza Hodgdon; third, Mrs. Lina Wheeler; fourth, Mrs. Lizzie Barrett; fifth, Mrs. Abbie Lamson.

Old home week picnic next Friday, Aug. 14, at the park at the Center, at 2 p. m. Every body cordially invited. The grounds have been improved this season. Bring lunch for yourselves and one more. It is expected J. H. Senter of Montpelier and other speakers will be present. Sunday, August 16, "old time" service at Congregational church. All old singers are invited to take seats in the gallery and sing some of the good old hymns of olden times. Rev. F. E. Currier will occupy the pulpit.

Mrs. Lillian Green of Sheffield is visiting at her father's, Charles Gilman.

S. B. Blodgett and A. M. Clark attended the veterans' reunion at Dewey park last week.

Alice Blodgett is spending her vacation at the home of her father, S. B. Blodgett.

Miss Leda Stevens is stopping with her sister, Mrs. L. W. Burbank, for a few weeks.

## MIDDLESEX.

Miss Addie Nichols went Monday for a two weeks' stay with relatives in Underhill.

Miss Kate Gabarre has finished her work in Waitsfield and returned home. Wells Palmer of Waitsfield visited his son, R. L. Palmer, and family, the latter part of last week.

James Ferris visited his mother at R. J. McAllister's, Waitsfield, Friday and Saturday.

H. R. Nichols and family entertained an over-Sunday guests Mr. Nichols' sister, Mrs. L. S. Jackson of Underhill, and a cousin, Dr. Hannar Schmaling, of Fulton, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Russell and daughter of Montpelier spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Comstock went the latter part of the week on a fishing trip to Milton.

Earl Pierce of Fayston, who spent last week at L. M. Chandler's, returned home Saturday.

The home circle will serve cake and ice cream Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 8 o'clock.

Robert Olds of Norwich spent Sunday and Monday at N. Stockwell's.

Mrs. John Hastings, who is suffering from a shock, remains quite low.

## Tried For One Offense and Convicted of Another

By F. A. MITCHEL.

When the wild and woolly west was passing from a condition answering this description to one of civilization, there were many failures in the substitution of law for the more drastic measures of Judge Lynch. There is a town in New Mexico called Worthington, the courthouse of which is now an imposing edifice. Many of the citizens of Worthington remember when there was no courthouse and no court to put in one. They can also tell you the story of the first attempt to dispense with Judge Lynch and establish law and order.

Shooting had been pretty well squelched under the judge, whose decrees were swift and sure, and some of the most prominent citizens thought the time had arrived when a regular court might be established, not for the shooters and horse thieves especially, but for the settlement of disputed points connected with property. So a committee worked out the problem, organized a court, elected a judge and sent east for a couple of recent graduates from a law school—the one to be made prosecuting attorney, the other to represent those having cases.

All the desperadoes in that region on hearing that Worthington was to dispose of its cases by a court of law flocked into the town. Shootings became frequent, and the town, having dispensed with Judge Lynch and organized a court, found itself paralyzed between the two. However, after much delay the first trial came off, and Jim Bunker, having shot down and killed Andy Winfield in cold blood, was brought before the regularly constituted judge.

The first witness was a young girl who had seen the shooting. Counsel for the defense objected to her testimony on the ground that she was under age. The point being referred to the judge, he adjourned the court till the next day in order to look the matter up.

That night there was another shooting.

The next morning court opened, and the judge admitted the girl's testimony. But counsel for defense badgered her to admit that at the hour of the shooting she was in bed buried under the cover and could not see anything. A man who had been nearly killed by one of the bullets fired by the prisoner at the man who was murdered was proved to be cross eyed, and it was impossible for him to tell which man shot the other. A woman who was carrying a bucket of water from the well, bearing the firing, had looked in the direction from which it came and in a few minutes more saw the prisoner walking away from his victim, who lay on the ground weltering in his blood. Counsel for defense proved that the ear is not capable of determining the direction of sound and that the woman had been drinking at the time of the shooting.

The jury was much perplexed by all this testimony, which was proved to be worthless before a court of law. They knew the witnesses were telling the truth, while the attorney for the defense proved that they were lying. The prisoner, who had no fear of conviction by a regular court, guffawed every time his counsel broke down the testimony of the witness for the prosecution.

"Jim Bunker," said the judge severely, "if you do that again I'll adjourn this court and try you before a committee."

The threat was quite enough to cause the prisoner to restrain himself, and his merriment was not again heard in the courtroom.

The prosecutor summed up the case, after the testimony had proved useless he was obliged to direct the attention of the jury to the prisoner's personal appearance as indicating that he would sooner commit murder than eat. This argument had no effect on the jury, some of whom were not as good looking as Bunker. The prosecutor was followed by counsel for defense, who made a thrilling speech picturing the feelings of Bunker's mother on seeing the one she had nursed as a babe swing off.

The judge was reminded by counsel for the defense that he must instruct the jury to find in accordance with the evidence, and when the judge asked the only other lawyer present, the prosecutor, if this was correct, he felt obliged to admit that it was. So the judge gave his instructions in accordance with the evidence, and the jury retired to a back room for consultation. It was not long before they returned with a verdict, which was announced by the foreman as follows:

"In accordance with your honor's instructions we find that Jim Bunker hasn't been proved to have done the killing now. We therefore find him not guilty of the killing, but 'cause he larfed at the proceedings we find him guilty of contempt of court."

The judge looked nonplused at this decision and was about to apply to the two lawyers for their opinion when Cy Mudge spoke up:

"Sich beln 'de verdict', your honor, I suggest that we order that the law be followed with due respect, the prisoner be turned over to a committee to impose the penalty for contempt o' court."

"That's first rate law," replied the judge. "Gentlemen o' the late vigilance committee, the prisoner is yours."

Within thirty minutes Bunker was swinging to a tree.

Mitchell seems to be the best twirler on the Cleveland force this season. He has beaten some of the strongest teams in the American league. He held the slugging Mackmen to six hits, which is considered a very nifty performance in view of the weakness of the Philadelphia club. One of the displeasing features of the playing of New York in the National league this season is the weak hitting of Merkle. He is playing a grand game in the field, nevertheless.

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